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**VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

The Honorable Jocelyn G. Boyd  
Chief Clerk/Executive Director  
Public Service Commission of South Carolina  
101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100  
Columbia SC 29210

**Re: Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC's and Duke Energy Progress, LLC's Establishment of  
Solar Choice Metering Tariffs Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-40-20  
Docket Nos. 2020-264-E and 2020-265-E**

Dear Ms. Boyd:

On September 21, 2020, Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC and Duke Energy Progress, LLC (the "Companies") filed a letter in Docket Nos. 2019-169-E and 2019-170-E (the "September Letter") notifying the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the "Commission") that the Companies reached an agreement with various stakeholders regarding the Companies' upcoming solar choice metering tariff filing.

On November 2, 2020, the Companies filed their Joint Application for Approval of Solar Choice Metering Tariffs in the above-referenced dockets, along with a Stipulation that memorialized the portions of the stakeholder agreement relevant to the Companies' Joint Application. The Stipulation was finalized on November 2, 2020, and includes the Companies, North Carolina Sustainable Energy Association ("NCSEA"); Southern Environmental Law Center on behalf of South Carolina Coastal Conservation League, Southern Alliance for Clean Energy, and Upstate Forever (collectively, "SELC"); and Vote Solar.

On December 4, 2020, NCSEA and the Solar Energy Industries Association ("SEIA") filed a letter of conditional support for the Companies' Joint Application in the above-referenced dockets, along with a Memorandum of Understanding (the "MOU") that encompasses the broader agreement among the stakeholders referenced in the September Letter. The MOU was executed on September 16, 2020, and includes the Companies, NCSEA, SELC, Sunrun, Inc., and Vote Solar.

Now, and in furtherance of the letter of conditional support filed by NCSEA and SEIA, SEIA has joined both the Stipulation and the MOU as a party to support the full implementation of the same. As such, the Companies hereby file with the Commission the Joinder Agreements executed by SEIA on December 2, 2020, adding them as a party to the MOU and the Stipulation.

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By copy of this letter, I am serving all parties of record via electronic mail.

Sincerely,



Heather Shirley Smith

Enclosures


cc: Parties of record

## JOINDER AGREEMENT

The undersigned, Solar Energy Industries Association (the “Joining Party”), hereby acknowledges receipt and an opportunity to review that certain Memorandum of Understanding entered into by and among Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC; Duke Energy Progress, LLC; North Carolina Sustainable Energy Association; Southern Environmental Law Center on behalf of South Carolina Coastal Conservation League, Southern Alliance for Clean Energy, and Upstate Forever; Sunrun Inc.; and Vote Solar dated September 16, 2020 (the “MOU”). The undersigned further agrees to be bound by the terms of the MOU in accordance with its terms in consideration for the non-binding understandings and binding agreements set forth therein. As such, the Joining Party shall be considered a “Party” under the MOU.


This Joinder Agreement is made effective this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of December, 2020.

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 Name: Sean Gallagher  
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